

**Judicial  
County Court  
Civil Mediation**

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*Seminole County*

**Mission**

To provide funding and administration of mediation/arbitration program for County Civil Court.

**Business Strategy**

Authorized by Section 44.108, Florida Statutes, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance 92-6 that provides for mediation and arbitration services in civil and small claims cases. Mediation provides a court-sanctioned opportunity where parties may settle their dispute without the necessity of an adversarial hearing or trial. A \$5.00 service charge is levied on any County Civil Court proceeding to underwrite the cost of the program. The program is under the supervision of the Chief Judge.

**Objectives**

Comply with Florida Statutes and Seminole County ordinances regarding County Civil Court mediation/arbitration program.

**Performance Measures**

	<u>FY 01/02 Actual</u>	<u>FY 02/03 Estimated</u>	<u>FY 03/04 Projection</u>	<u>FY 04/05 Projection</u>
Cases Mediated	592	632	675	721

<b>Department:</b>	<b>JUDICIAL</b>	<b>Seminole County</b>
<b>Division:</b>	<b>COUNTY COURT</b>	<b>FY 2003/04</b>
<b>Section:</b>	<b>CIVIL MEDIATION</b>	<b>FY 2004/05</b>

	2001/02 Actual Expenditures	2002/03 Adopted Budget	2003/04 Adopted Budget	Percent Change 2003/04 Budget over 2002/03 Budget	2004/05 Approved Budget	Percent Change 2004/05 Budget over 2003/04 Budget
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>						
Personal Services	0	0	0		0	
Operating Services	2,284	88,950	87,792	-1.3%	141,133	60.8%
Capital Outlay	0	0	2,250	100.0%	3,000	33.3%
Debt Service	0	0	0		0	
Grants and Aid	0	0	0		0	
Reserves/Transfers	0	0	30,014	100.0%	0	-100.0%
<b>Subtotal Operating</b>	<b>2,284</b>	<b>88,950</b>	<b>120,056</b>	<b>35.0%</b>	<b>144,133</b>	<b>20.1%</b>
Capital Improvements	0	0	0		0	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2,284</b>	<b>88,950</b>	<b>120,056</b>	<b>35.0%</b>	<b>144,133</b>	<b>20.1%</b>
<b>FUNDING SOURCE (S)</b>						
County Civil Mediation	2,284	88,950	120,056	35.0%	144,133	20.1%
<b>TOTAL FUNDING SOURCE (S)</b>	<b>2,284</b>	<b>88,950</b>	<b>120,056</b>	<b>35.0%</b>	<b>144,133</b>	<b>20.1%</b>
Full Time Positions	0	0	0		0	
Part-Time Positions	0	0	0		0	

#### New Programs and Highlights for Fiscal Year 2003/04

Reserves reflect 25% of the total budget, excluding computers and communications equipment, due to the implementation of Article V in July of 2004.

#### New Programs and Highlights for Fiscal Year 2004/05

<b>Capital Improvements</b>	<b>2003-04</b>	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>2007-08</b>
Total Project Cost	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Impact	0	0	0	0	0